(c) Whether it is also a fact that most of the decisions are being taken on arbitrary basis and without any justification;

(d) Whether details of any such instances have come to the notice of his Ministry; and

(e) if so, what steps have been taken to rectify them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Action to fill up the posts is taken as and when necessary.

(b) to (d) No., Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Identification of drugs for delicensing

992. SHRI GHAN SHYAM SINGH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry identified drugs for delicensing without any criteria;

(b) whether it is a fact that his Ministry had announced criteria for this in December, 1986;

(c) if so, what are those criteria;

(d) whether it is a fact that most of the drugs do not meet those criteria

(e) if so, why a revised list has not been announced despite the fact that six months have passed;

(f) by when the same will be announced;

(g) the names of delicensed drugs for which production has been started alongwith the stage of manufacture;

(h) what was the investment made on each project and what was the production of each drug since the month of production upto the 30th June, 1987; and

(i) what are the names of the companies already producing those drugs alongwith the stage of production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Keeping in view the need to stimulate industrial growth and simplify the industrial licensing policy and procedure, the Scheme of Delicensing was announced on 16-3-85. This scheme was extended to non-MRTP, non-FERA companies for 94 bulk drugs. As per the measures announced in December, 1986 the scheme would be progressively extended subject to the following criteria:—

(1) bulk drugs whose imports are allowed on OGL.

(2) bulk drugs whose production is limited to three producers or less in the organised sector;

(3) bulk drugs whose formulations are of essential and mass consumption nature;

(4) formulations and drug intermediates related to bulk drugs which are delicensed;

The scheme of delicensing would be available for non-MRTP and non-FERA companies only, excepting for new drugs based on clinical trials conducted by MRTP|FERA companies and would not include bulk drugs reserved for public and small scale sector.

(d) All the delicensed bulk drugs meet the criteria.

(e) and (f) Additions|Alterations to the list will be made as and when necessary.

(g) and (h) To the extent details are available, the names of companies who have commenced production of delicensed bulk drugs together with details of investment are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below)

(i) Details asked for are quite voluminous. Time and labour involved in collection and compilation of information is not commensurate with the results likely to be achieved.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Company	Name of the item in production	Investment (Rs. in lakhs)
1	M/s. Gujarat Themis Bio-Syn. Ltd.	Erythromycin	1000 00 (inv. includes Rifampicin, Cephalexin & Griseofulvin projects also)
2	M/s. Shrishma Fine Chemicals	Aspirin (Expn.)	500.00 (existing)
3	M/s. FDC Pvt. Ltd.	(i) Diazepam (Expn.)	nil
		(ii) Etophylline	
4	M/s. Gujarat Lyka Organics Ltd.	(i) Ampicillin (Expn.) (ii) Cephalexin Monohydrate	430 00
		(iii) Cophradine	
5	M/s. Unique Chemicals	(i) 2-Methyl Imidazole	184 00
		(ii) 2-Methyl 5-Nitro Imidazole	
		(iii) Metronidazole	
6	M/s. Rama Organics Ltd.	Ibuprofen	103.42
7	M/s. Punjab Chemical and Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	Ibuprofen	37.00
8	M/s. Lupin Labs.	Rifampicin	150.00

Manufacturing of drugs through small scale units

993. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the drug companies which have introduced their products during the last three years, yearwise, after getting them manufactured from small scale units alongwith names and composition of each;

(b) what is the price at which each is being sold alongwith the price fixed by his Ministry of other brands having same composition;

(c) the names of the products based on imported bulk drugs;

(d) whether it is a fact that these small scale units are importing bulk drugs either from principals or associates of the companies who are marketing those products;

(e) whether it is also a fact that these companies are importing bulk drugs at much higher price than the international price;

(f) whether his Ministry has any arrangement of monitoring such activities of transfer of pricing and overinvoicing; and

(g) if so, what are the details thereof along with the instances which have come to their notice?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) to (g) Instances of some companies marketing their products at their own prices after getting them manufactured from small scale units who are exempted from price control under the DPCO, 1979 have come to the notice of the Government. Such companies are free to do so under the DPCO, 1979. The other details called for in the question are quite voluminous and are are not readily available. Time and efforts required for collection of these will not